Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Problem solving and survival skills promoted through art education are basic elements leading to creative thinking; and,

Whereas, The arts teach children to make good judgments about qualitative relationships; that small differences can have large effects; that problems can have more than one solution and questions can have more than one answer; and,

Whereas, The arts teach that there are many ways to see and interpret the world; that in complex forms of problem solving, purposes are seldom fixed, but change with circumstance and opportunity; and,

Whereas, The training and visual insight gained through the art experience opens new worlds of seeing to all involved and gives students a deeper understanding of multi-cultural values and benefits; and,

Whereas, Art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and,

Whereas, Art education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism. and aesthetics:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 2011 as

YOUTH ART MONTH

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State